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Intersecting families of sets are typically trivial

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Abstract: A family of subsets of $\{0,1\}^n$ is intersecting if every pair of its members has a non-trivial intersection. Determining the structure of large intersecting families is a central problem in extremal combinatorics. Frankl-Kupavskii and Balogh-Das-Liu-Sharifzadeh-Tran independently showed that for $n \ge 2k + c \operatorname{sqrt}\{k \ln k\}$, almost all k-uniform intersecting families are stars. Significantly improving their results, we show that the same conclusion holds for $n \ge 2k + 10 \ln k$. Our proof uses the graph container method and the Das-Tran removal lemma. This is joint work with Jozsef Balogh, Ramon I. Garcia and Adam Zsolt Wagner.

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